

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME AND	)	
STORAGE MEDIA	)	
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Attorney Docket No. HIT A.0112	)	

Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

**LETTER TO DRAFTSPERSON**

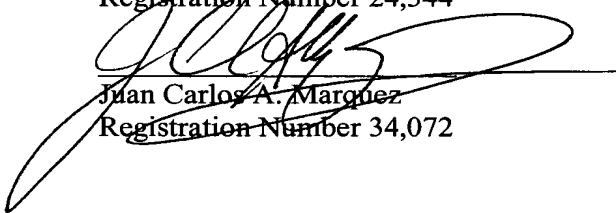
Sir:

In response to the requirements set forth in the Office Action mailed on September 9, 2004, Applicants are submitting a drawing for Fig. 20, in which a legend "Prior Art" is being added, in connection with the above-captioned application.

Kindly direct any inquiries in connection with this matter to the undersigned at the below-listed address and telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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[x] The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

FOR	TOTAL WITH NEW CLAIMS ADDED	TOTAL CURRENTLY ON FILE	CLAIMS PAID	RATE	CALCULATION
Total Claims	42	40	20 (Over 20)	x \$50	100.00
Independent Claims	6	6	3 (Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
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In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

[ x ] Response to Office Action  
(with Claim Amendments)

[ ] Substitute Specification

[ ] Preliminary Amendment

[ ] Other \_\_\_\_\_

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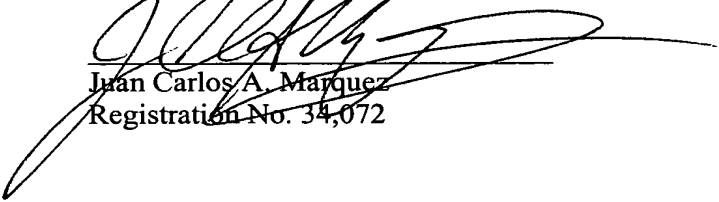
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☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 08-1480**.

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